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KNIGHTS TO RULE OR RUIN

AGITATOR GRUENHUT AND THE TRADES UNIONISTS.

They Must All Come Into the Knights or Go to the Wall—Father McGlynn's Case One of the Utmost Importance to the Catholic Church—Labor Notes.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—The fact has leaked out that the leaders of the Knights of Labor in this region have decided to declare war against the trades which maintain separate organizations and refuse to affiliate with the knights or to join in united political action. These trades comprise the Typographical union, the cigarmakers, locomotive engineers and firemen, carpenters, and several others. It is not known whether this move is in compliance with instructions from the headquarters of the knights in Philadelphia.

Joe Gruenhut, the well known agitator, originator of the eight hour movement, and now employed as statistician in the city health department, said to-day: "We propose to make these outside organizations come in with the knights, or we will break them up. The later we can do, but by what methods I don't care to say at present. It is not a question of right but of might. We happen to be the strongest, and we propose to put the other fellows on the rack for their covert opposition to us. They are no good anyway. They refuse to associate themselves with political action, or to follow our lead in any direction. We propose, moreover, to break up the trades assembly, and we will then be able to run things to suit ourselves."

Meanwhile, as is the case in Philadelphia, the split in the United Labor party between the Conservatives and Socialists is daily becoming more pronounced, and threatens to put an effectual stopper on the movement. The various assemblies are now electing delegates to the January conference, which will formulate the plans for a spring municipal campaign, and the indications are that the Socialists will have less than 40 per cent. of the delegates. The result is that a desperate feeling already prevails, and the word has gone along the line that in the event of their being in a decided minority, the Socialistic element will bolt and put a second ticket in the field. The fight is so bitter that it has been found impossible to get a quorum of the old committee of twenty-one together to transact even ordinary business.

Interest in the McGlynn Affair.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—There is considerable interest being manifested among the Knights of Labor of this city and vicinity in the case of Rev. Dr. McGlynn, of St. Stephen's Roman Catholic church. Much anxiety is felt by Catholic members of the order as to the outcome of the affair. Should the decision of the pope be adverse to the knights many think that the church will be hurt more than the order. There is no doubt that should Dr. McGlynn be silenced at Rome, that many Catholics would abide by the decision of the holy see and quit the knights. In an article in the organ of the knights, in which the Irish land question is discussed together with the McGlynn case, this paragraph is given prominently: "When the church strikes at the means of life and makes it an article of faith that the tens of thousands of Irishmen must toil and slave that a hundred English landlords may live in idle luxury, it simply drives the great masses of the people out of its fold. Life is a struggle for existence, and when the church proposes to use the religious sentiment and theological superstition of such to make the struggle harder for the thousands, while relieving the one from any struggle, then is rung the death knell of any church. Henry George's theories can well stand the attacks of the church, but the church cannot afford to antagonize them."

Workingmen and Temperance.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—The Socialists held a meeting yesterday afternoon. Mr. T. J. Morgan read an open letter to the Woman's Christian Temperance union and the clergy of Chicago, from the workingmen in mass meeting assembled, in which he denied the charge that the workingmen of this country were especially intemperate. Complaints of discrimination in the treatment of "wine-bibbling children" and "beery workingmen" were made, and it was claimed that at all the numerous Socialistic banquets and picnics no intoxicated person had yet been arrested. That intemperance exists among us, we must acknowledge, though we claim, and can prove, that it is the result and not the cause of the environment and associations that we are compelled to endure.

The New Party.

New York, Dec. 21.—The Henry George men are well pleased with the number of responses that have come in from their circulars sent throughout the country, asking the workingmen to join the new party. Already 117 branches have been formed, and the work of organization is being pushed vigorously. It is the intention of the executive committee to call a national conference shortly and form a National party. The question of what the name of the new party shall be is agitating the minds of the leaders just now. The Land and Labor party seems to be a most popular now, the majority of the branches having assumed it. It will remain for the conference, however, to decide finally the name of the new party.

SHE REACHED THE AGE OF 136.

A Colored Woman Said to Have Been Born in 1750 Dies in Indian Territory. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21.—A letter from Sussanah, Seminole Nation, Indian Territory, gives an account of the death there on the 5th inst. of Mrs. Susanna Warren, perhaps the oldest woman in the United States if not in the world. She was born in the old town of St. Augustine, Fla., in 1750, fifteen years before the Americans conceived the idea of national independence.

She was born a slave and was the property of Spanish masters until 1818, when she with other Spanish slaves fled from the town of Pensacola when it was taken by Gen. Jackson. She lived in the Seminole country from then until the second treaty of peace with the Seminoles, when she was regarded as their champion property and was removed with them to the Indian Territory. She leaves one daughter living, who resides in Austin, Tex., and is in her ninety-seventh year. She leaves many grandchildren here, some of them nearly seventy years of age.

Wholesale Incendiarism.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 22.—News is received from Vilonia, an inland town of Faulkner county, this state, to the effect that about 3 o'clock yesterday morning, every business house in the town was simultaneously set on fire and burned to the ground, including the barn, cribs and out-houses of Messrs. George and Thomas Harris, residing

about half a mile from Vilonia. Nothing at all was saved, and the Harris brothers lost great quantities of corn, fodder, cotton seed, hay, etc., they being considered the wealthiest farmers in the county. Total loss about \$150,000. No one has yet been arrested, but suspicion points to one or two suspicious characters.

FORTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

Ninth Day.

In the senate a bill was introduced to increase the salaries of the commissioners of education and labor to \$5,000. Mr. Van Wyck introduced a resolution to amend the constitution so as to require the election of United States senators by the people of the states, instead of by the legislatures. Petitions of tobacco manufacturers were presented protesting against the passage of the house bill in reference to packing out tobacco. A resolution was adopted instructing the finance committee to inquire into the propriety of reporting a bill providing a rebate on all imported materials incorporated with domestic materials and exported for sale. The calendar was taken up and a bill passed permitting the owners of American vessels and their cargoes to sue the government for losses caused by collision with United States vessels. Mr. Riddleberger's open session resolution went over on objection. The bill to repeal the tenure of office act was taken up and discussed without action until 4:30 p. m., when, after a brief executive session, the senate adjourned.

In the house, a bill was passed making Hartford, Conn., a port of entry; also a bill to pension persons who served in the navy as yeoman engineers, apothecaries and masters-at-arms. Remonstrances were presented against the Dunn free ship bill; the senate bill for the allotment of lands in severity to the Indians. The urgency deficiency bill for public printing was passed. The sundry civil bill was discussed and passed in committee of the whole and reported to the house, which then adjourned.

Tenth Day.

In the senate petitions were presented for a reduction in the tax on oleomargarine. Several bills were introduced. A resolution for a committee to visit Mexico and inquire into our relations with Mexico was offered by Mr. Butler, of South Carolina, and ordered printed. The bill for the retirement and readjustment of the trade dollar was passed; also the house bill to extend the free delivery system; also the bill authorizing the issue of money orders at a fee of three cents; also the house bill authorizing the employment of mail messengers. A bill to fund the four and four and a half per cent. bonds at 2 1/2 per cent. was introduced by Mr. Aldrich and referred. The bill to repeal the tenure-of-office act was passed—20 to 22. At 2:40 p. m. the senate adjourned.

In the house, resolutions were introduced and referred. A bill was passed indemnifying the postmaster at Boonton, N. J., for money stolen in 1862. The sundry civil bill was passed and the private calendar taken up. The bill for the adjustment of the McMinnville & Manchester railroad accounts by the unfinished business, it was passed; a claim of \$246,880 is involved. A senate bill was passed increasing the pension of Gen. Benjamin F. Kelly, of West Virginia, to \$100 a month. At 4:15 p. m. the house took a recess until 7:30, the evening session being for the consideration of pension bills.

Eleventh Day.

The senate was not in session. The house ordered a conference on the bill authorizing the employment of mail messengers. The bill was passed providing an additional associate justice of the supreme court of New Mexico. Mr. Morrison moved to go into committee of the whole to take up his tariff bill. Lost—149 to 174, Speaker Carlisle voting in the affirmative.

Twelfth Day.

In the senate petitions were received favoring a reduction in the tax on oleomargarine. A bill incorporating the Atlantic and Pacific ship railway was made a special order for the second Tuesday in January, and the Pacific railroad funding bill was made special order for the same day. The Backbone land grant forfeiture was made a special order for the second Wednesday in January. A number of bills and resolutions were passed, including the house bill for the relief of the survivors of the Jeannette. Mr. Blair introduced a bill increasing the pension of the soldiers and sailors who have lost both arms. A number of committee appointments were announced. A bill to incorporate the Windsor Hotel company, of the District of Columbia, with \$2,000,000 capital, was passed. At 5:30 p. m. the senate went into executive session, and shortly afterward adjourned.

In the house a resolution was adopted calling on the secretary of the treasury for his authority for retiring one and two dollar United States notes. Under the call of states, bills and resolutions were introduced, including one for a holiday recess from December 22 to January 4. The bill to change the duty on Sumatra tobacco was defeated—yeas 99, nays 165. An attempt to pass a bill limiting the jurisdiction of United States courts in patent cases, and protecting manufacturers, purchasers and vendors, was defeated by a motion to adjourn at 4:30 p. m.

Thirteenth Day.

In the senate, communications and petitions were presented. A bill was reported and passed fixing the charge for passports at one dollar. A deficiency bill for the public printing bureau was passed. A resolution to discharge the pension committee from further consideration of the pension arrangements extension bill was objected to and laid over. The resolution for holiday recess from December 22 to January 4, was agreed to. The interstate commerce conference report was called up. Senator Wilson, of Iowa, spoke, and after a short executive session the senate adjourned at 3:45 p. m.

In the house—the concurrent resolution for a holiday recess was agreed to. The senate amendment to the bill for the relief of the Jeannette survivors was concurred in. Remonstrances were presented against the free ship bill. The Indian appropriation bill was reported. Thursday, January 30, was set aside for considering resolutions in respect to the deaths of Congressmen Arnot, Bach and Dowdrey. The military academy appropriation bill was reported and referred. The president's veto on a pension bill was called up, and the house refused to consider the bill. The diplomatic appropriation bill was reported and referred. The army appropriation bill was passed. The invalid pension appropriation bill was reported and referred. Senate amendments to the urgency deficiency appropriation bill were concurred in, and at 3:45 p. m. the house adjourned.

Miners on Three-Fourths Time.

TOMAHAWK, Pa., Dec. 22.—Commencing today all the colliers in this section operated by the Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron company, will go on three-fourths time. The miners of the Schuylkill region are being paid this week upon the old basis.

A REVIEW OF BUSINESS.

R. G. DUN & CO.'S REPORT ON THE FEATURES OF THE WEEK.

The Week Has Been One of Unusual Excitement—Effects of the Panic in Wall Street—Very Little Depression in General Business—Features of the Week.

New York, Dec. 20.—R. G. Dun & Co. has issued the following weekly trade review: The past has been a week of unusual excitement. The sharp decline in the stock market was foreshadowed by the recent unhealthy advance in securities that do not secure, and in some of these the fall was from \$50 to \$37 per share. But fifteen other stocks lost over \$10 per share, and the average price of active stocks, good and bad, fell \$5.30 per cent. per share from December 4, to the lowest point on Wednesday last; "knocking the froth off the market," one broker called it. In that case there was a good deal of froth. Some recovery has since occurred, but it is yet too soon to determine whether bottom has been reached. It is surprising and creditable that thus far only one failure in the exchange has resulted from such a fall.

Money was artificially locked up, beyond doubt, and the decline thus increased. The rate rose from 6 to 8 per cent. on Saturday, to 10 per cent. as the lowest and 15 per cent. as the highest on Wednesday. This difficulty has been met by shipments from many interior points, Canadian banks sending \$3,000,000, by the arrival of \$1,400,000 on Thursday from France, and the shipment of \$2,000,000 from London, and by the treasury's offer to prop up \$2,000,000 interest. The advance in rate by the Bank of England is meant to check the outflow of gold, but the supply now in sight here, and the shrinkage in speculative demands, should prevent any stringency in money for commercial or industrial needs, if Europe does not unload stocks.

So far the Wall street excitement has no effect on general business. Other speculative markets were neglected, and the sales were far below previous records. Oil and grain dropped Wednesday, but recovered. Coffee broke at Havre, and was not recovered. Cotton yielded a shade, but hog products advanced. The Thomas company, which largely controls iron prices, fixes \$20 as its price for No. 1 iron for 1887, and has sold 40 per cent. more in 1886 than in any other year, and engaged 114,000 tons already for next year. Important failures at several points show individual rather than general overtrading. Dry goods are less active, but the trade not unhealthy. Exchanges outside New York show that the volume of business at the north is very large, though some depression exists in part of the south. Railroads agree to advance east-bound rates five cents December 23, and have large earnings already.

But while Wall street mania does not yet affect general business, continued depression might in two ways. Failure to sell securities might check railroad building and iron making. Returns of the large body of American stocks held abroad would cause heavy loss of gold and severe pressure. The weatherwise will watch for signs in these quarters. Thus far, Europe sends gold and buys stocks.

The interstate commerce bill is thought dangerous by many investors, and its progress may cause unloading of securities. The issue of silver certificates increases \$2,000,000 more having been put out last week, while the treasury took in \$1,500,000 more gold. Risks in stocks by individuals all over the country are likely to increase the number of commercial failures, already unusually large for the season. The situation, therefore, while not now disturbing, justifies caution.

The money market failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days, number in the United States 230 and for Canada 28, a total of 258 against 24 last week and 27 the week previous. The casualties in the middle western, southern and Pacific states are above the average in number, which is also the case in Canada. In New York City fifteen failures are reported, only two of which are of consequence.

WILLIAM MUSSEL LYNCHED.

The Eaton, Ohio, Murderer Taken From the Jail and Hung by a Mob.

EATON, O., Dec. 22.—Two weeks ago last night William Mussel brutally murdered Daniel Christman, a wealthy farmer of this place, and also made a nearly fatal assault on Mrs. Christman, coupled with an effort to burn her and the house. After a two weeks search the murderer was captured at Green-castle, Ind., and brought here. An attempt was made to get hold of Mussel on his arrival but it failed and he was lodged in jail. A meeting regularly organized was held last night in the town hall. It was attended by leading citizens of Eaton, who discussed the case and decided that the murderer must be lynched.

At a few minutes before 8 o'clock, a grand rush was made for the county jail and the outside doors quickly broken open. The leaders were in earnest and it was but a few moments until chisels and sledges were at work on the inner iron doors. Mussel was finally secured and properly identified. He was taken by the howling mob to the court house yard, thence out to the most prominent corner, where the electric light tower stands. When asked if he had anything to say, he claimed to be innocent of the charge. At ten minutes after 8, Mussel was strung up to the electric light.

The fellow died game in the presence of the whole population, and hundreds from the surrounding country who had anticipated the affair and came here by private conveyances. It was a well planned and thoroughly executed job, and is indorsed by the people generally. The excitement was at fever heat last night, but has quieted down somewhat. The body of Mussel was turned over to the undertakers after hanging about an hour.

MUST O'REILLY RESIGN?

Bishop Burgess Reported to Have Taken Indecisive Action.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 18.—It is reported that Bishop Burgess, having given the Rev. Dr. Charles O'Reilly, treasurer of the Land League, the necessary warnings to resign the trusteeship, in accordance with the rule promulgated at the Sandwich Synod, August 19 last, will take final action in the case soon, and that O'Reilly will be suspended unless he resigns by his ex parte and leaves the diocese.

REV. DR. O'REILLY, suspended unless he resigns by his ex parte and leaves the diocese.

It is believed that he will fight the matter. The rule in question commands any priest holding a political office, or any office in a political society, to resign the same. It was aimed at Dr. O'Reilly, as no similar rule is in force in any other diocese. Dr. O'Reilly can leave the Burgess jurisdiction and retain his office in the Land League.

AT DEATH'S DOOR.

John Roach Afflicted With the Malady That Killed General Grant.



JOHN ROACH

New York, Dec. 21.—John Roach is dying. His family have endeavored to keep the critical condition of his health a strict secret for reasons of more than a purely sentimental nature. But at last they have practically given up all hope of his recovery and sit watching at his bedside to bestow what little comfort they can to smooth his dying pillow. The information of Mr. Roach's fatal sickness was conveyed by a relative of the family, and he also stated so much sorrow was observed that it wouldn't surprise him if the servants declared it to be without foundation.

"But it is, nevertheless a fact," he added, "and by judicious inquiry you will find his situation as I have stated. He may only have a few hours to live and again there is a slight chance that he may last for another week."

Silence and solitude pervaded the elegant residence of Mr. Roach as a mourner yesterday opened the door and listened to the inquiry of our reporter to see some member of the household.

"They are all engaged," said the servant, "and I'm forbidden to disturb them." He consented, however, to take a message asking about the health of the noted ship builder. In a minute he returned and said he was instructed to say that Mr. Roach was in good health. There was, in fact, nothing unusual in his condition.

As the message was given a gentle pull at the bell announced that some visitor desired admittance. An elderly gentleman with snowy hair came in the hall, removed his hat and overcoat without uttering a word. Then he approached the staircase as one who was acquainted in the house. The reporter recognized him as Dr. E. B. Holden, the family physician of Mr. Roach.

"I have just been inquiring about the health of Mr. Roach. I understand he is very low," ventured the reporter.

Without learning the exact situation, Dr. Holden replied: "Yes, he is undoubtedly in a precarious condition since the last operation. I hope he will rest easier to-day." The physician went on to say that Mr. Roach might die at any moment. There was in fact little prospect of staying the ravages of his fatal malady.

Mr. Roach is suffering from a cancer in the throat, similar to that which caused the death of Gen. Grant. An operation was recently performed at which a considerable part of the jaw was removed, but his sufferings continue to be very severe. The physician has for the last week called twice a day, and yesterday his visit extended for over an hour. John Roach made an assignment July 18, 1885, to George Quintard and George E. Weed. The failure was ascribed directly to the refusal of Secretary Whitney to accept the dispatch boat Dolphin. Mr. Roach made an assignment with his husband as preferred creditors. His liabilities did not exceed his assets and all his creditors were satisfied. Since the failure it is asserted by Roach's friends that he has never been the same. The subsequent acceptance of the Dolphin, however, put Mr. Roach on a more favorable footing as far as his reputation as a shipbuilder was concerned.

Mr. Roach has had a remarkable career, and worked his way up from a poor boy. He was born in Ireland over seventy-one years ago, and came to this country when a lad. In 1848 the Morgan firm works became his property. Four years later he bought the plant of Beatty, Son & Archibald, at Chester, Pa., and began to build ships. From these two great ship yards 114 iron vessels, representing a business of more than \$50,000,000, have been sent out. Ninety per cent. of the iron vessels now sailing under the American flag, were constructed by John Roach.

He has two energetic, enterprising sons, Garrett and Stephen, who, since they arrived at majority have assisted their father in conducting the extensive business.

FACED DEATH FOR HIS BROTHER.

A Brave New Jersey Lad Loses an Arm for His Fraternal Devotion.

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 22.—When the afternoon train on the Susquehanna road entered the cut below this city yesterday, five boys, residents of this city, were walking down the track. The train had been signalled to make a flying switch, and the boys consequently did not see their danger until the train was almost upon them. Three of them got safely out of the way, but Robert and James Nuslammer, aged respectively eight and ten years, and residing with their parents at No. 39 Oak street, found themselves in the way of the train.

Robert succeeded in clearing the track, but the steps of the forward car struck his brother. Robert had noticed the danger in which his brother was placed, and attempted to save him, the result being that while James was only slightly bruised the older boy was thrown under the train, the wheels passing over one of his arms. He was brought to this city and attended by Drs. McIntosh, Barnett and Withers, who decided that amputation was necessary. The brave little fellow refused to take an anesthetic, and while the physicians took his arm off at the elbow he conversed with those around him, only showing by the occasional twitching of his muscles and the compression of his lips that he was undergoing any suffering. When the forearm had been removed the limb as found necessary also to amputate the limb at the shoulder. Still the little fellow did not flinch, and although he is now suffering severely from the shock, it is thought he will survive the operation.

The Princess of Wales spends \$5,000 annually for bouquets.



You could not forget me, Molly.
And you would not if you could.
See here is the spring of holly.
You gave me when we stood
Last Christmas, as now we stand, dear,
When I found your hand and heart, dear,
And we could love is not holly,
But a sweet enduring good.



A Christmas Carol.

God rest ye all good People,
That harken to our lay,
And lend the word,
That Christ our Lord,
Was born upon this day.

We hit our voices gladly,
And gladly we do sing,
Of that same night,
That showed to light,
The promise He did bring.

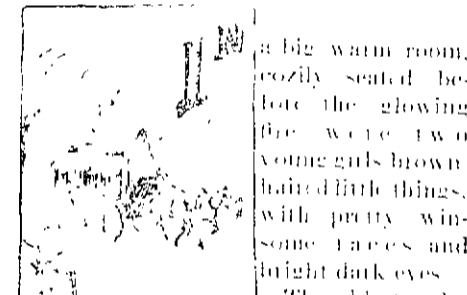
When Angels sang to shepherds,
That kept their flocks that day,
And bade them,
Where mild and meek,
The infant Jesus lay.

So when our lives were older,
And times its waters' night,
May Angels sing,
And to us bring
Our Lord His truth and light.

Howard Pyle.

LOST IN THE SNOW.

A CHRISTMAS STORY FOR THE YOUNG.



A big warm room,
Cozily seated be-
fore the glowing
fire were two
young girls brown
haired little things,
with pretty win-
some faces and
bright dark eyes.

The eldest, who
looked about fourteen years of age, was
lying back in a huge armchair, an open
book on her lap; though at that moment
her thoughts were wandering far enough
from the story written there.

Her sister, nearly four years the junior
of Edith, sat curled up on the hearth-
rug, holding a fluffy kitten in her arms,
her eyes fixed dreamily on the blazing
wood.

"How late Rex is!" Edie said at
length.

"Yes; I suppose the coach has great
difficulty in forcing its way through the
snow. I hope it will arrive soon, all the
same." Any chimed in, rubbing her
cheek gently against pussy's soft head.

"Papa said he might get home by six,
it is nearly half past now."

"So it is! I wonder why he doesn't
come?"

"Perhaps it snows harder than ever,"
Edie suggested, and slowly rising she
walked towards the window.

Drawing the crimson curtains on one
side, she pressed her face close to the
frozen pane, trying to pierce the thick
veil of fallen snow.

"I can't see, it is too dark. I don't
even think we could hear the coach, the
snow is so soft and deep."

With a slight shiver Edie dropped the
curtain, turning despondently towards
her sister.

"Never mind, we must be patient. I
wish Dr. Lorne would break up earlier,
it makes Rex arrive so late; why, if any-
thing happened to stop the coach, he
would very likely not get here in time
for Christmas."

"How horrible! And, oh, Amy, do
you think Aunt Maud will send Cissy
after all?"

"Amy shook her dusky head, and
sighed.

"I am afraid not; she wrote and told
mamma it was too far for Cissy to come
alone, and she had no time to bring her."

"What a shame!" Edie cried quickly,
throwing her book with angry gesture
across the room.

"What is a shame? Why this sudden
wrath?" a pleasant voice said, and turn-
ing, Edie was clasped in her father's
arms.

"I was speaking of Cissy, papa; I
wish mamma had let her come."

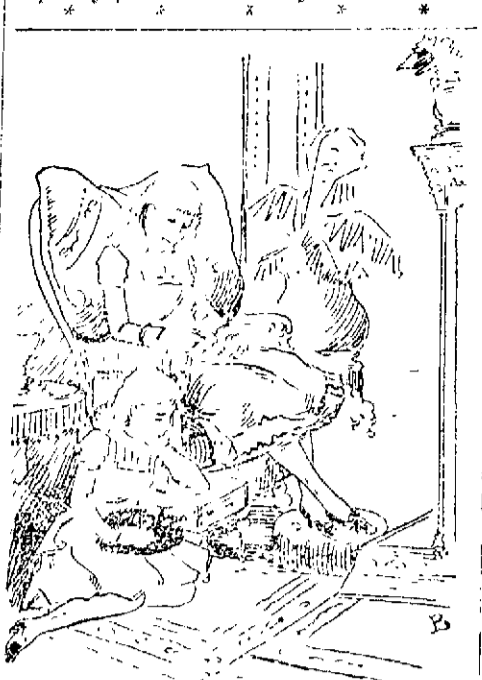
"Perhaps she wanted her at home.
Besides, such a journey would hardly
suit a delicate child like your little
cousin."

"I do so want the coach to arrive!
Isn't it very late papa?" Amy asked,
twining her hands around his arm.

"Well, yes, it is rather. I was just
wondering whether it would not be bet-
ter for me to go down the road to see if
there is any sign of the coach."

"Do, papa, and bring Rex home at
once."

flakes that whirled around him, cover-
ing him with a mantle of white.
Heavily fell the snow without, dead-
ening every sound of life within; the
girls nodded over the warm fire, whilst
pussy purred on undisturbed, completing
a pretty picture of homely comfort.



The girls nodded over the warm fire.

Outside a small country inn stood a
big yellow coach, with four strong
horses just freshly harnessed to the pun-
derous vehicle.

"Now then come along young gen-
tlemen, or we shall leave you behind!"
the coachman shouted, lifting his heavy
whip to urge the horses on.

In answer to that cry Rex Evans
quitting reluctantly the warm fire, bade
good bye to his host and quickly entered
the coach.

Another instant and the horses start-
ed, dashing recklessly through the snow,
whilst the driver whistled merrily as
they tore along.

Rex had settled himself comfortably
on the seat, wrapping a warm blanket
round his chilled form. At first, until
he became accustomed to the faint light
cast by the dim lantern, he thought him-
self alone, but presently he saw a small
muffled-up figure sitting opposite.

Surprised, he gazed searchingly at his
fellow traveler, wondering how any
child, and that child a girl, happened to
be there alone.

"I suppose she, too, is on her way
home, perhaps just returned from school.
I'll ask her presently," Rex thought, his
curiosity aroused.

The little girl's blue eyes were fixed
wonderingly upon him—eyes that re-
minded him of spring violets; her face
was small and extremely pretty, framed
by a lot of golden curls, that fell from
beneath the hood of red quilted silk cov-
ering her tiny head.

A warm fur cloak almost enveloped
her tiny form, giving her the air of some
young princess sitting in state.

She looked so sleepy, the wistful eyes
nearly closed, and her head drooping
wearily forward. Rex felt his heart
beat compassionately, and all his boyish
chivalry aroused.

"I'm afraid you are not very com-
fortable here, why don't you lie on the
seat as I am doing?" he asked after a
long silence.

"Is it better like that?"

"I should think so indeed; only try,"
Rex cried, jumping up to help her.

In a few minutes the child was cozily
ensconced on the seat, her head propped
against one of Rex's soft rugs, nor was
it long before both, exhausted by their
journey lay wrapped in slumber.



In a few minutes the child was cozily ensconced on the seat.

The coach seemed to pass almost
silently over the ground the horses
working their way bravely onward, in
spite of the blinding snow which con-
tinued to fall.

Just, however, as they neared the last
village they were to pass the coach
wheels caught against a wayside stone
and fell heavily over.

Happily the coachman was thrown far
out on to a pile of soft snow, and thus
escaped injury. Fearing for his young
passengers he hastened to their aid.

He found both infants but very fright-
ened. Rex trying to soothe his little com-
panion, who was weeping bitterly.

"Come, come, missie, don't cry,
there is nothing the matter," the coach-
man said cheerily, lifting her out. "We
will soon get the coach up again."

But this task was not so easy to ac-
complish, and for nearly ten minutes
Rex stood patiently by holding the girls
small hand in his, not daring to leave
her to help.

"I'm afraid we can't do it; one of the
wheels has come off. There must be a
house or something close by. Suppose
we walk on, instead of wasting precious
time here?"

"Yes; I think that is the wisest plan,"
Rex answered.

So, with chattering teeth and numb
limbs, they marched onward, leaving
the tired horses and fallen coach to await
their return.

It was not long before they caught
sight of a faint light gleaming through
the mist.

As they neared the spot, they found
the welcome light came from a big farm-
house, standing amidst a waste of white
fields.

In answer to their knocking, the door
opened, and a friendly looking farmer
stood on the threshold.

"Come in, come in, my good people;
this is not the night for man or beast to
be out in!" he said in welcoming tones.

They entered the huge kitchen, where
a family of happy children sat round
the blazing hearth, listening to a brilliant
story told by their mother.

Whilst Mrs. Darwin warmly greeted
the little strangers, the coachman re-
counted his misfortune to the farmer,
who, without hesitation, offered to go
at once to help set the coach to rights.

During their absence, Rex and his
pretty companion sat by the bright fire,
quite at home amongst this cheerful

group.
"How came you to be out on such a
night? Christmas Eve, too?" Mrs. Dar-
win asked.

"You see, we only broke-up yesterday
at school, and I was obliged to wait un-
til this morning before taking the coach.
Won't they all be anxious at my non ar-
rival?"

"And is this little girl your sister?"
"No; I don't even know her," Rex an-
swered.

"What is your name, and where are
you going?"
The child looked up with a bright
smile.

"My name is Cissy Moore, and I am
going to visit my Aunt Edith, who lives
in the country—at Edenwell," she said
gravely.



"Why, you must be my cousin—Aunt Maud's little girl!" Rex cried eagerly.

"Edenwell, and your name is Moore?"
Why, you must be my cousin—Aunt
Maud's little girl!" Rex cried eagerly,
catching her hand in his.

"Are you really my cousin Rex? Mam-
ma told me about you and your two sis-
ters, Edie and Amy."

How strange we should have met like
this, and all the time never knowing one
another! Doesn't it seem stupid?"

"No; because this is the first time I
have seen you, else I should have recog-
nized you at once," Cissy said gently.

And you? But what a mite you
are! I thought you were as old as
Amy."

"I am ten, Cissy answered with dig-
nity.

Well, well, it does seem funny that a
little body and gentleman should travel a
long journey together, and not find out
each other's names!" Mrs. Darwin cried,
raising her hands in great surprise.

"I did not think to ask," Rex said,
feeling rather foolish.

By the time they had eaten a hearty
supper, the coachman returned with the
luggage.

"All is ready when you are," he said
cheerily, rubbing his gloved hands to
make them warm.

Rex quickly donned his hat and coat,
then helped Cissy with hers.

Bidding an affectionate adieu to their
kind hosts, they once more took their
places in the coach, and off they went.

"I wonder Edie never told me you
were going to spend Christmas with us,"
Cissy laughed, showing all her pearly
teeth.

"Mamma did not decide until last
night, and then it was too late to send
word." However, the coachman said he
would see me safe with Aunt Edith."

"They don't cry," you then?"
"No. I hope they will like my com-
ing unannounced," Cissy added serious-
ly.

Edie and Amy will be perfectly mad.
I know how often they have regretted
the miles that lie between your home
and ours. It was very good of Aunt
Maud to let you come."

Sleep no longer weighed their eyelids;
the shaking and Mrs. Darwin's hot coffee
had effectually awakened them.

During the drive to Edenwell their
talk never flagged, nor did the time seem
long.

Meanwhile Edie and Amy still kept
watch in the empty schoolroom.

The entrance of Mr. Evans alone dis-
turbed them; he had failed to see the
coach, nor had it yet arrived at the
neighboring inn.

"I am afraid something has happened—
an accident in the snow, perhaps," he
said gravely.

"Oh, papa, you don't think it is lost,
and they can't find the right road?" both
girls exclaimed fearfully.

"I hope not, I am sure, poor Rex will
be frozen to death; it is getting colder
every moment."

Edie let her head fall against her
father's shoulder, her eyes full of dread;
Amy, more sensitive than her sister, be-
gan to cry quietly.

Yes, Evans entered presently, worried
and grave; so they waited whilst the
hours passed; until, when Mr. Evans
went with his wife and children to the
door, to glance out into the wild night,
a muffled sound of wheels coming down
the road sent a quick throb of hope to
each heart.

"At last!" he cried, starting forward.
The next moment the coach stopped,
and Rex sprang out into his father's
arms.

"Why, who is this?" Mr. Evans asked,
as after releasing his boy he became
aware of another smaller figure standing
in the road.

"That's a Christmas guest, sir; Mrs.
Moore bade me bring her to you, with
best wishes," the coachman said quickly,
advancing with Rex's box in his arms.

"Yes, papa, that is Cousin Cissy; she
has come all the way alone; wasn't it
courageous of her?" Rex added.

How tenderly the sweet little traveler
was welcomed by all; carried in her un-
cle's arms into the warm dining room,
where supper had been laid hours since
for the absent son.

"How good of Aunt Maud to give us
such a pleasant surprise!" Edie said
brightly, divesting Cissy of her many
wraps.

Amy did not speak, but she kissed her
cousin with tears in her eyes; she had
been thoroughly frightened by her
brother's non-arrival, and now he had
come, bringing their cousin also, she felt
too glad to say much.

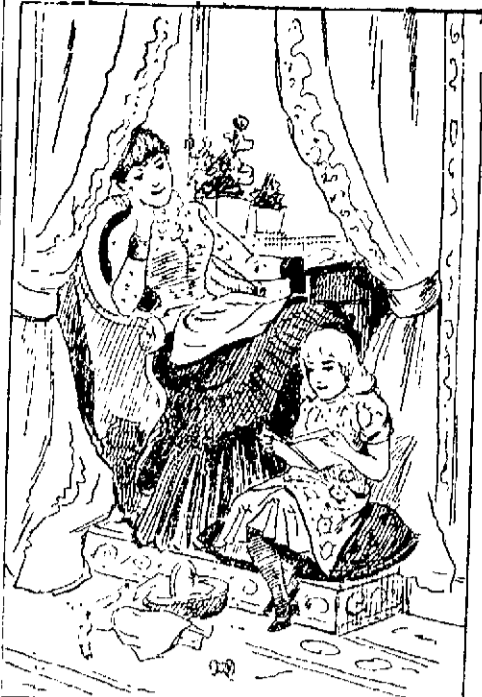
Just as they were retiring to rest, Mr.
Evans suddenly called to them to stay,
opening wide the garden door.

"Hark!" he said solemnly. Do you
not hear?"

Softly through the snow laden air,
borne on angel's wings, came the sound
of sweet bells, albeit Christmas morn
had dawned in peaceful glory.

How glad they were, not forced to
spend Christmas away from home,"
Rex murmured. "It seems so strange,

almost like a dream, our strange adven-
ture; and yet we were very nearly lost
in the snow."



A Christmas Surprise for Papa.

My little girl Sadie is five years old.
She is very happy and busy getting a
Christmas present ready for her papa.
But I do not believe that one of the little
boys or girls that read this, can guess
what it is going to be. So I will have to
tell you. She is going to surprise him
by having learned to read! She began
twelve weeks ago. And just think! Her
papa don't know that she can read one
single word! One day he came right in-
to the nursery when Sadie was reading
her lesson! O how quick she stopped,
and stuck the book under her apron!

Her little face got as red as a rose.
"Why, Sadie," he said, "what is your
face so flushed for?" Then he said to
me, "Mamma, I'm afraid you've got the
room too hot."

So I opened the door, and began
quickly to talk about something else, to
make him forget about Sadie. In a few
minutes he went out again. I guess that
was the only time Sadie was ever glad to
have her papa go away. She was so
afraid he saw the book, that she could
hardly keep from crying. But I told
her I was almost sure he did not, and
she was happy again.

She says when Christmas comes she is
going to wrap her Reader in a nice piece
of paper, and write on it, "Sadie's pre-
sent to papa," and tie it to the tree.

"He'll think it's a mistake when he takes
the paper off," she says. "but I'll say,
'please give the book to me, papa,' and
then I'll just open it and read, and read,
and read, till he's so surprised he can't
speak!"—*Henrietta R. Eldon.*

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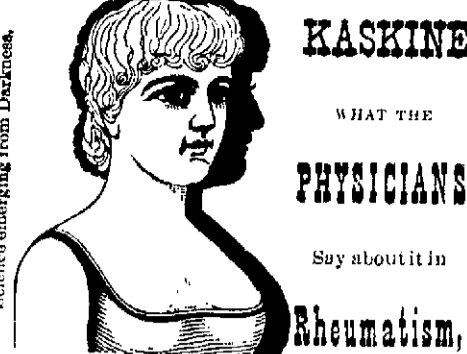
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Now may the McGregors rest in peace.

The soul of the Stark County Democrat is filled with joy.

This is the beginning of a new campaign. It will be Sheriff Crawford yet.

The INDEPENDENT'S Christmas present to its readers is in the shape of plenty of appropriate reading matter.

Practical evolution: A few years ago it was Allen O. Myers, later it was Allen O. Myers and now it is Mr. Myers.

It is not in good taste for newspapers to persist in calling the President's country home "Red Top," simply because they know that he wishes that name dropped.

The destiny of the park is now apparent. Soon it will cease to be an object of ridicule, for upon it will be erected one of the most perfect buildings in all this State.

Fortune does not seem to be following Morrison this year. Defeated for re-election, defeated in Congress, he is hastening as rapidly as possible into the oblivion in which his name will be forgotten.

The new postal card is about the homeliest thing bearing the name of this government. The cancelling clerks do not like it either, because the stamp is in the middle, and its location proves very annoying as all letters are stamped upon the upper right hand corner.

The suggestion of a correspondent that a part of the money which will be due to the city under the terms of the Dow law be used to extend the territory illuminated by electricity is a good one. No better use of this money could be made than to divide it all between the police, light and street funds.

Congressman McKinley is said to receive from twenty-five to thirty letters daily on every conceivable subject. He is also said to be one of the few men who always have time for every thing. It is a peculiar fact that the men who are always complaining of the stack of work remaining for them to do are the slowest to get at it.

The Reagan inter-state commerce bill about to be passed by Congress, says in substance that railroads must carry freight for one hundred miles at the same rate that they carry it for one mile. It is a clear attempt to reverse the self evident fact that large buyers should get proportionately low prices. The Reagan bill is contrary to all common sense.

It is not very pleasant to write upon a subject week after week, and find the suggestion unheeded. This has been the treatment of the suggestion offered by this paper that a board of trade should be organized. It seems strange, too, that the business men of this city should be so slow to take up this matter. Dozens of the INDEPENDENT'S correspondents or callers, including the brightest and foremost of business men, freely commend the plan, yet they will not take it upon themselves to take a step toward organization.

The first important action of Sheriff Leininger, once feeling sure of his office, was to request the resignation of Mrs. James Lee as matron of the jail. Mrs. Lee has conducted that department in a model manner, while her husband was sheriff and since Leininger, the creature of an accident, promised, in the presence of many witnesses of prominence, that so long as he was in authority she should be retained. This promise was made, however, when he fully expected to make a regular campaign, and he desired the influence of her friends. Now, knowing himself to be safe from the dangers of an election, he wilfully breaks his word. This is not a pleasant topic to discuss, but

his bad faith will not be forgotten when he again appears as a candidate.

The name of Judge Joseph Freese will be presented to Governor Farnham for appointment as the successor of Judge Day, who has recently resigned, with the endorsement of the bar of Stark county. Judge Freese is a lawyer commanding a large practice, a jurist of experience, whose decisions have, in almost every case, stood every test before the higher courts, and a man in whose integrity everybody places confidence. By the seventy-five lawyers of Stark county, many being men of prominence and ability, he has been almost unanimously selected as this county's choice, and this result is accepted with gratification by the people at large. Men without regard to party have united upon him, and it will seem strange indeed if the request of this county, second in importance to none, should be ignored.

IT WILL BE SHERIFF CRAWFORD YET.

The Ohio Supreme Court has said that Dr. Leininger is Sheriff of Stark county, according to law, until the expiration of the term to which the late James Lee was elected. This decision is accepted with respect and in a becoming spirit. Few are disposed to question the correctness of the decision but there are many to question the justice of the laws upon which it is based. To them it seems un-American to allow any body of men to say to one, "you may succeed to this dead man's office, though he himself never entered into the discharge of its duties." Captain Crawford and his friends did not believe that the laws of Ohio would sanction such an action. It appears, however, that they did. Since this is the proper construction of our statutes as they are, it is creditable to the Republican party that a Republican court did its whole duty, and gave a decision which results to the disadvantage of the party and effectually disproves the assertion, made by so many Democratic journals, that in a contest between two parties, the courts would decide according to their political sympathies.

In good faith the Republicans of this county sought to establish what they had good grounds for believing to be a just claim. On the other hand the Democrats of this county made a nervous and undignified scramble to retain a position of some power. They were lucky. Their exultation is not in the line of honest pleasure that their chanced statements have been proved correct, but is expressed by a ridiculous enthusiasm because the patronage appertaining to the Sheriff's office is still in their hands, and is likely to remain there for another year.

A term of office is however short and the people of this county, who saw Captain Crawford make his canvass last fall with as much care and sincerity as though a close election were at hand, and who know him to be an honest and efficient man, will be ready, when the time offers, to vote for him and elect him.

About the Library.

The reader of the news columns will be pleased to see that the public library project has taken definite shape, and is in the hands of energetic men, who will push it through successfully. While there is every reason to believe that the plans as outlined can and will be carried out, no details can, of course, be settled upon until there is money on hand. It therefore seems probable that for some time there will be nothing upon which to advise the public except the progress of the various committees. But there is something that readers of the INDEPENDENT can do; they can help to educate the public sentiment in favor of the splendid institution which the library association wishes to establish; they can offer what may prove valuable suggestions as to the library building itself, and the books and works of art which should occupy it. For all such as have ideas in these matters, the INDEPENDENT freely offers the use of its columns, asking only that its space be used considerably. Now is the time to do the talking and writing, for nothing will be more annoying than to have criticisms and advice follow the work of the committees, instead of preceding it.

UNDER WAY.

The Massillon Free Library Soon to Have an Actual Existence.

An Important Meeting—\$25,000 to be Raised, and a Building Erected—What the People Say—The Working Committee.

On Tuesday night, in answer to the call issued last week, a large number of the prominent and enterprising business men of the city met in the parlors of the Hotel Conrad, kindly offered for the purpose by Mr. W. H. Vincent, for the purpose of forming a library association and arranging for the detail work necessary in securing the establishment of the proposed Massillon Free Public Library.

The Hon. L. C. Cole called the meeting to order, and nominated Judge Anson Pease as chairman. Judge Pease was unanimously elected. The committee appointed some time ago by the originators of the project to draw up a report outlining a plan of organization was called upon, and he submitted the following document.

THE REPORT.

The following is the slightly abbreviated report:

Your committee is of the opinion that the benefits to be derived from a public library are so fully recognized by all the people, that we spend no time here in advising or urging it, believing that every good citizen will approve of such a project.

We advise that it should be a free library to all citizens of Massillon.

We advise that for careful, feasible and judicious management of a public library, a corporation organized under the statutes of Ohio, with a charter substantially in the form following, is the best form of organization that could be adopted.

FORM OF CHARTER.

Know all men by these presents, that the undersigned, A. B. C. D and E, citizens of the State of Ohio, hereby associate themselves to become a body corporate, in accordance with the laws of said State, under the following articles:

1st. The name of said corporation shall be "The Massillon Free Library Association."

2d. Said corporation shall be located, and its principal business transacted, at Massillon, Ohio.

3d. Said corporation is formed not for profit, but to acquire and maintain a library of books, periodicals and other papers and documents for the encouragement of literature and science, the use thereof to be forever free to all citizens of Massillon, Ohio, and to acquire by donation or otherwise any real estate, property or funds for the support and maintenance of the same, with the express condition however, that all books, periodicals, papers, documents, real estate, property and funds so acquired shall be held in trust only by said corporation for the free use of all citizens of Massillon, and if the same should ever cease to be a free library, then all such books, papers, periodicals, documents, real estate, property, and funds to revert or pass to the city of Massillon, and subject further to the provision that the directors of said corporation are by this charter forever barred from entering into any contract or obligation involving a sum of money greater than the amount of money then in the treasury of said corporation.

4th. Said corporation shall have a capital stock of \$—, divided in — shares of \$500 each, to be used only for defraying the expenses of said library, and buying books and other supplies therefor.

We advise that said company be incorporated with a capital stock fixed at \$25,000, divided into 5,000 shares of \$500 each.

Your committee has made considerable inquiry into the question of how much interest the public now takes in the subject, and are of the opinion that subscriptions to capital stock to the amount of \$25,000 can be secured. If said sum can be raised we advise that steps be immediately taken to obtain permission from the city of Massillon, the heirs of the original proprietors, and any others interested, to erect a library building on north park, in which to maintain such library.

As to the maintenance of the library, your committee has assurance, that when said building is completed a ready for use, the city, in consideration of its great public utility and its being a free library will pay the current expenses of light, heat, librarian, etc.

For the purpose of carrying out the plans here suggested we recommend that the following committees be appointed:

1st. A committee of nine members to procure a charter.

2d. A committee of three members to obtain permission if possible to build upon the north park.

3d. A committee of twenty, of ladies and gentlemen, to canvass for subscriptions and donations.

Respectfully submitted,

A. T. SKINNER,
E. A. JONES,
R. W. McCaughy, Committee.
L. C. COLE,
E. W. FICKERT.

When the paper had been read, it was evident that it expressed the views of all present. Mr. Jas. R. Dunn moved its acceptance, which motion prevailed. In order to expedite matters, Mr. Cole moved its adoption and, then as a member of the committee, stated some of the reasons why the plans had been deemed wise. The projectors started out with the idea that they might raise five thousand dollars, and establish an institution upon a small scale, but as they consulted with people they found the general sentiment was that that plan was too narrow, and unworthy of the object. They were given assurances that if a broad and comprehensive institution were planned there would be little difficulty in raising the funds. They therefore hoped to be able to erect a building large enough for all time, and as the people saw the home for the books take shape, there was no reason to doubt but that they would sustain it. Every man who had children could afford to deprive himself

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House and lot on Akron street, one lot north of State street.

Good farm, 105 acres, well improved, on Canton road.

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You can always find a complete assortment of

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Yard on Tremont Street,

Opposite Kitchen's Mill.

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and all kinds of Sawed Stone on hand

yard.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Discovered this Week by Independent Investigators.

It takes five men to keep Massillon's electric lights going.

Coal shippers are complaining of a lack of cars in all the local line.

Dr. J. W. Hisey will move his dental office to a room in the Conrad block about February 1.

Massillon coal is the standard by which the quality of other coals are judged or compared.

Tennis players are agitating the question of renting the Walhonding rink on certain nights for winter practice.

A paper was received at the post-office the other day addressed to the "Massillon Board of Trade." It has not been delivered.

Councilman Snyder says that the Water Company has promised to put the streets in perfect repair next spring. Better late than never.

Many of the gas post lanterns are being badly damaged, and one or two have been destroyed since the use of the electric lights. They should be taken in.

A terrible accident occurred in the Justus coal mine, south of the city, by a large rock falling upon William Owens, and instantly killing him, one week ago.

The topics suggested by the United States Evangelical Alliance for exhortation and prayer, from January 2 to January 9, will be found on the third page.

Richard Taylor a married man, and the father of two children, was killed on Tuesday in the Minglewood coal mine, a few miles west of the city, by the slate roof falling upon him.

A service of music, unusually interesting has been prepared by the choir of St. Timothy's church, which will be presented on Christmas morning, and on the Sunday morning following.

There will be a children's festival at St. Timothy's church on Christmas eve, at half-past 6. Everybody is invited to come and hear the service, which has been prepared especially for this event.

The ladies aid society of the U. B. church will give an oyster supper at the Parsonage, Christmas eve, December 24. The proceeds to be applied to a fund being raised for the purpose of purchasing a furnace for the church.

The Massillon saloon keepers have decided to look as pleasant as possible under the circumstances, and to pay the Dowlaw tax under protest. About seven thousand dollars will, by the terms of this law, be turned into the city exchequer.

The funeral of the late Carl Warthorst took place on Friday last, at the residence of Capt. F. W. Warthorst. The body was followed to the grave by a great many friends in carriages, and preceded by all the employees of Warthorst & Company.

It is said that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will in the near future erect enclosed depots along its line. In other words, passenger trains will run under the roof at all stations, and that picket fences will be put around the stations, similar to the Pennsylvania Central plan.—Orrville Crescent.

The news that at a meeting of the members of the Stark county bar Judge Freese had been selected as the choice of the attorneys to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Judge Day, was received on Tuesday. It was hardly in the nature of a surprise, and his appointment by the Governor will give satisfaction if made.

The Rev. Howard MacQuery, who has accepted the rectorship of the Episcopal mission in Canton, delivered a sermon in St. Timothy's church in this city, on Sunday morning. Mr. MacQuery is a young man, full of energy, and possesses unquestionable ability. Canton is a splendid field, as yet uncultivated, and the congregation there feel that they have at last secured the man under whose care the church will prosper as it should.

Persons in this vicinity having books or manuscript bearing on the early history of Ohio or the Northwest Territory, which they are willing to part with, in order that the State Library may be enriched in this important department, are invited to write to State Librarian F. B. Loomis, at Columbus. The State Library is lacking in some branches of Western history, and an effort is made to build it up.

There is an interesting little controversy now going on between Mayor Frantz, and Mr. Peter Sailer. Last fall when the somewhat famous Salvation Army case came up, Messrs. Sailer, Albright, Boerner and Megrew became responsible for the costs, should the defendants be dismissed. The defendants were dismissed, and the comfortable sum of one hundred and eighty seven dollars and some cents represented the costs of the trial. The bill was recently presented to Mr. Sailer for payment, and while he acknowledged it, he refused to pay more than his proportion, claiming that the other men had entered into an agreement to pay the costs, if necessary, like himself, were as able to help to do so, and had been as much interested in the prosecution of the matter. The Mayor thereupon, proceeding, as he believes, under a city ordinance, attached several bales of fine Havana tobacco, and the sale is now advertised. Mr.

Sailer promptly got out a temporary injunction, and will ask for a permanent injunction, asserting that the Mayor's actions are not in accordance with the law, as they deprive him of a day in court to answer, the Mayor having rendered judgment without notice. Mr. Sailer's object is not to evade the payment entirely, but rather to have the other gentlemen put on an equal footing with himself. He is ready at any time to pay his share.

PERSONALITIES.

The Matters that Agitate the Society World.

Charles A. Ricks, the tall lieutenant of the Kenyon Corps reached home Wednesday night.

Mr. Joseph O. Oberlin was married to Miss Ada S. Levers, by the Rev. A. J. B. Kast on December 16.

Prof. M. A. Reicheimer has been engaged by Mr. and Mrs. A. Peacock to play for the dancing classes.

Mr. George Everhard, a Brooklyn student of architecture, is home to spend the holidays with his relatives.

Geo. A. Yost, now traveling for the hardware firm of Worley Bros., East Saginaw, Mich., is home for the holidays.

Mr. Karl F. Miller has managed to escape business long enough to get home, expecting to remain here during the holidays.

The marriage of Mr. Philip Herr to Miss Lydia C. White took place on December 16, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. A. J. B. Kast.

There will be a dance at the Hotel Conrad, Thursday evening, December 30. A number of visitors from out of town are expected to be present, and it will be the social event of the holiday season.

The Niles Independent says: "Mrs. Griffiths, of Massillon has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. S. C. Drake, who has been seriously ill, but is now convalescing."

New Year's calling and receiving has fallen out of vogue in Massillon, and it is a pity, too, for it was a pleasant custom. Quite a number will keep open house in Canton this year.

Mrs. P. G. Albright is suffering from a very serious attack of typhoid fever, and her friends feel greatly alarmed. She is now very weak but is holding her own, and the change, if any, is for the better.

The young men are a little slow in getting home. Kent Jarvis, a Hartford student, and Charlie Ricks of the Kenyon Grammar School are here. The Hampton and Hudson boys are expected the latter part of this week.

The arrival of a score or so of young people from colleges and schools, bound to have as much fun as can be crowded into two weeks, has roused everybody from the social lethargy existing for the past two months, into liveliness.

Miss Laura Russell, who has been visiting friends in New York, Miss Hattie Russell, and Miss Hattie McLain, who are attending school at Northampton Mass., and Miss Jessie Russell, who is attending school in Massachusetts, reached home together, Friday night.

The Cleveland train last Saturday night brought quite a little party of young people home. Miss Evelyn McCue, of Wellesley, Miss Gertrude Peacock, of Vassar, and Miss Mary Hunt, who had been east to attend the wedding of one of her former school mates.

Christmas at the Industrial School.

Saturday was Christmas day for the Industrial School. Two hundred and fifty youngsters, none over a dozen years of age, arrayed in their best bibs and tuckers, met at the hall for an afternoon of nothing but pleasure. It was an astonishingly clean crowd of children, very different as a whole from the children who, with dirty faces and deranged garments, first sought instruction of the energetic ladies who have been the means of straightening up many an ill-kempt home and teaching the children to help themselves. They kept pretty tolerable order while they were being read to and talked to, but order was a thing unknown when Santa Claus rushed in, the real, genuine Santa Claus, and began to distribute good things among them. Some laughed, and some cried, and some wanted to run away. After awhile, when it became evident that he was harmless they romped with him, and made such a noise that passers-by wondered what on earth the Salvation Army could be doing in the hall on a week day afternoon. Finally it was time to go, and the little things went home, many of them for the first time with a realizing sense of the pleasures of the Christmas season.

The Camp Fire.

The camp fire given by Hart Post on Tuesday was attended by a goodly-sized crowd. The beans and other delicacies disappeared in double quick time. Commander Pinn's address was heard with pleasure and attention, and under the management of Mr. J. W. Holcomb everybody took part in the dance that followed. The managers were greatly disappointed because Captain McClure and E. F. Taggart, A. A. G., failed to be on hand. At the last moment a letter was received from the former, stating that business engagements prevented his attendance, and another from the latter, expressing his regrets also, and giving as his reason for not coming a press of other affairs caused by an accident to his assistant.

GOSSIP ABOUT GAS.

Patrons can now Call and Pay The Great Increase in the Consumption of Gas—Something about the Quality of Massillon's Gas—Why we are Thankful.

Mr. Alfred Hopper, the superintendent of the Massillon Gas Company, was caught a few days ago, in the act of ordering an announcement to be printed on the back of every bill, to the effect that in the future, customers would be expected to call at the office of the company and settle, instead of waiting to be called upon. And, moreover, this notice stated that patrons who could not get around before the fifteenth of the month would be charged at the rate of two dollars instead of a dollar and a half. Mr. Hopper says that all merchants do a cash business, and have their money handed to them, and very properly thinks that the Gas Company's customers ought to be willing to call and pay up in the same way. For the clerks of the company to collect from nearly half a thousand persons once a month is no small job.

Mr. Hopper says that the consumption of gas had increased twenty per cent. in the first month after the reduction to a dollar and a half a thousand. So, as the reduction in price was thirty-three per cent., the two accounts do not yet balance. The patronage is growing, however, quite rapidly, but the experiment will not cease to have been considered an experiment until the expiration of two years. About ten per cent. of the present increase is attributed to the increased consumption of old customers, and the balance to new customers.

The capacity of the Massillon gas works is sixty thousand feet a day, although this limit is rarely reached. The amount of gas burned in the summer is little more than half what is used now.

The laws of Ohio demand a twelve candle power illuminant, but the company here does better, and furnishes a seventeen candle power article.

The managers contemplate laying a number of new mains in the spring. Should they do so, Cherry and Plum will be among the favored streets.

Mr. Hopper thinks that gas men are the most abused set of people in existence, doomed to be the objects of envy, hatred and malice until the end of time. He says when the price was reduced, every body said the quality would go down too, and that in some cases men who, on account of this reduction of thirty per cent. would burn two hundred per cent. more gas, would revile him and the meter because the bill was no less than usual. But Massillonians accept the present order of things very graciously. Their faith in meters is not quite destroyed, and they know that few places have cheaper, and very many higher priced, gas than their own city.

IS SHE A MURDERESS?

Mrs. Peffer Accuses Lucy Berry of Being One.

"Silence is golden," says the proverb, and Lucy Berry probably now sees the truth of those three words. As is perhaps known, Lucy Berry, who has been a member of the household of Annie and Eli Peffer, in this city, is now in the county jail, bound over to the probate court on the charge of fornication and assault and battery, preferred by Mrs. Peffer. Some time ago, while peace hovered over the home of the Peffers, before Lucy Berry had estranged the affections of husband and wife, and while she was intimate with Mrs. Peffer, in some unguarded moment she told Mrs. Peffer that years before, while living in Volcano, near Parkersburg, W. Va., she had been instrumental in murdering a man.

The story, as told by Mrs. Peffer, is as follows: The Berry girl was living with Mr. and Mrs. Jake Watkins, who employed a man named Jim McGill. Mrs. Watkins and McGill became enamored of one another, and they conspired to destroy Watkins. Lucy Berry was taken into their confidence. When the proper time had come, Watkins was decoyed from the house and the three murdered him and threw the body in a well. Some time after it was taken out and hidden in some brush.

Mrs. Peffer told all she knew to Officer Hagan, of this city, stating that now had come her time to get even with Lucy Berry. A telegram was sent to the Parkersburg chief of police, who found Mrs. Peffer's tale substantially correct, and telegraphed Officer Hagan to see that the Berry woman be held. What truth there is in the matter remains to be seen. The girl herself denied the charge to a Canton Repository reporter, and said that she was but a child at the time. She accuses Mrs. Peffer of murdering her infant. The Parkersburg officers are expected to arrive in this city very soon.

A GOOD SUGGESTION.

From a Correspondent Who Wants More Light and a Board of Trade.

To the Editor: Reading over the papers of different sections of our State, the citizens are talking and advertising the advantages and beauties of their several locations. Why is it not a good time for us residents and lovers of our goodly and beautiful city to see to it that we do all in our power to make it as attractive as it is possible for us to do. Some things are to be done by the citizens at large, and others are

to be attended to by our city council. First we should have a Board of Trade for general purposes. The very excellent institution of a public library is already being inaugurated. The water works is in a fine state of progress, and the electric light plant is in the hands of a firm which is giving us a magnificent light and are no doubt making considerable sacrifice to place it within the reach of all consumers. But it is not good policy to "ride a willing horse to death." Now to the point of this article. Those whose good fortune it is to live within the charmed circle of the electric light have nothing more to desire in the question of light. But those who are compelled to travel forth and back to our homes in the dark are not so well served, and I do not in this wish to say that our council has not done all that could be done up to this time. On the contrary they have done nobly in this matter, and the spirit of this short article is not of the fault finding kind, but namely to suggest now that the dowlaw tax will yield a very large revenue to the city, that in the apportionment of it when placed in the treasury of the city, a sufficient portion of it be set apart for the purpose of giving the light to those who are very quietly and wishfully sitting in the dark. It will be too late to complain when the fund has all been apportioned and this matter has been overlooked.

ONE IS THE DARK.

Massillon Amusements.

The Amherst College Glee Club will appear in this city January 4.

John Boisgrain easily beat Charles Schwingle, of Canton, in a three mile race at the Walhonding rink one week ago.

There will be a masquerade carnival at the Walhonding rink, next Wednesday evening. The manager offers a handsome dressing case to the most comically dressed gentleman; a silver napkin ring to the most comically dressed lady, and a pair of skates to the best looking dude.

The charming Lucille in "Lynwood" Miss Granger has made her own. It is a careful study of the workings of the human heart, each pulsation drawn by a skillful hand. Miss Granger has taken the finished work of the author and invested it with a personality, a magnetism all her own, and it becomes a living, breathing picture, strong in every detail. She will be seen at the Opera House Friday evening, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve, supported by her own company, and we predict for her a warm reception.

The Winter Garden Variety Theater, Keefe & Stratton, proprietors, and Jimmy Cook, stage manager, opened on Tuesday night with the following attractions: The minstrel prince, Mr. Jimmy Cook, the monarch of acrobatic song and dance men. The only artist in the business throwing forward and backward somersaults and keeping time to the music. The world's champion clog dancer, Mr. John Bhan. A standing challenge of from one to five thousand dollars to produce his equal. Harry Williams, the king of laugh makers.

He Sprained His Ribs.

Adam Volkmore, the well-known livery man, while out driving a coach a short time ago, jumped from his seat, and when he woke up next morning was suffering acutely from the inflammation which set in from the ribs, which had been badly sprained. He was incapacitated from transacting business for two weeks, and Felix R. Shepley, who had insured him in the Equitable, promptly paid him twenty dollars. Mr. Volkmore, like all those who have ever tried it, will renew his policy every time it expires.

Card of Thanks.

Mrs. J. B. Thompson desires to express her warmest thanks to the very many whose sympathy and assistance were hers during the recent sickness of her late husband, and she feels that these are especially due to the nurses who so patiently served him during his last illness.

For a Christmas present, buy the Star that leads them all; the Holiday Domestic Sewing Machine.

SCHAEFER & MAUS, Massillon, O.

C. C. Miller's Prices on Watches are the lowest in the city and the largest stock in the city to select from.

Cloaks and shawls at 50c on the dollar at A. L. Watkins & Co.'s.

C. C. Miller, the new Jeweler has all new goods; latest styles, and the lowest prices. Call and see.

Watkins' closing out sale continues.

Opera Glasses for Xmas Presents at C. C. Miller's 37 E. Main street.

Dress goods, silks, velvets Domestic and notions again reduced to close out at Watkins.

A nice line of Gold Spectacles for Christmas presents, at Miller's Jewelry Store.

Elegant stock of silk mufflers, handkerchiefs at A. L. Watkins.

IT COSTS NOTHING

To See Our New Stock of

DIAMONDS

Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware, Knives, Forks, Musical Instruments, Spectacles of All Kinds.

We have the goods and are going to sell them as low and a little lower than the lowest.

Our stock is complete & new.

COLEMAN, The Reliable Jeweler, NO. 5 ERIE STREET.

Xmas Candies!

A choice selection of the best

New York & Boston Confections

can be found at the

RIALTO!

Chocolates of all kinds, creams and a great variety of bon-bons. Genuine Parisian chocolates can be ordered now from samples. A full line of 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 boxes will be on sale next week. Send in orders early.

No present is more acceptable for friends at the holidays than a box of Sweetest's fine bon-bons and chocolates.

THE RIALTO, 6 North Mill St., MASSILLON, O. (On Hotel Corridor.)

For the Holidays!

J. V. R. SKINNER,

Has Just Opened his Stock of Holiday Goods.

The books, endless in number, from the ever popular Chatterbox to the elaborate edition-de-luxe, are marvels of cheapness, fresh from the publishers, and possess attractions for even the most pronounced book hater. Certainly there is no larger line in Stark county.

The fancy goods are unusually handsome this year, and in the numberless lamps, vases, bronzes, bits of ivory-ware, bisque figures, silk umbrellas, rare cards, and novelties of various kinds, every taste can be gratified. Every body is invited to examine the collection before being very much broken.

No. 40 East Main street, Massillon.

HOLIDAY GOODS, Now Ready!

W. H. McCALL & CO., DRUGGISTS, Holiday Goods.

Have in stock an elegant line of Christmas Novelties in

Leather & Plush Toilet Cases, Manicure Sets,

WHISK BROOM HOLDERS Work Boxes, Albums, &c.,

and an especially fine line of CHRISTMAS CARDS.

All the newest designs in Stationery, both in boxes and in bulk.

A fine line of Odor Bottles in Cut Glass, Odor Cases, and Extracts for the handkerchief.

Call and examine their goods before purchasing elsewhere.

For a good, substantial Christmas Present, buy one of those fine Carpet Sweepers for sale at J. M. Walker's,

No. 6 North Erie Street.

at prices lower than ever.

Z. T. BALTZLY.

The Independent for a Christmas present will be satisfactory and also cheap.

Greater bargains than ever at Watkins' clearance sale.

CHAPMAN.

Dr. J. F. Gardner, of West Brookfield, has several patients west of us.

Cyrus Decker set up a keg of beer over the presentation of a homing baby boy.

Ed Williams, the genial furniture man of Canal Fulton, made a business trip to our burg last Tuesday.

Our mines are all running, with plenty of orders. Last week was a terror for casualties in the mines south of us.

A driver by the name of Taylor was instantly killed in the Minglewood mine last Monday, and on the same day a man was severely injured at the Horn Brook mine. We have not learned the particulars in either case.

Assistant Mine Inspector Bell, we are told, has declared his intention to become an applicant for re-appointment in February next. Mr. Bell declares that unless he gets the prize it will surely go to Mahoning county.

A grand social hop will be given in Masters & Findley's hall on Christmas Eve, December 24, the proceeds to be given to the poor fund for the purpose of furnishing a Christmas turkey to the needy. Good music has been secured, and you can rest assured that the affair will be a success.

We see that Joe Gillespie has got home at last, being on the staff of the *Democrat*, which means jumping from a Mugwump to a Democrat. This is as it should be, for we would prefer ten enemies of us in our front to one in our rear. But what tickles us is that in last week's *Democrat* he asks to be kissed. Why think of it! you can smell his breath away up here, politically speaking.

We have waited patiently to see the man from Massillon or West Brookfield that is going to knock the chip off John Danner's shoulder on the prohibition question, but so far he has failed to show up. If Mr. Danner would only extend his challenge a little further, we have an idea that the Roscoe Conkling of the Keefer district would accept it and cross swords with him. He has met and vanquished their best speakers in this township on this subject, and no doubt would be proud to meet a foran of this county worthy of his steel.

NAVAIRE.

Miss Ida Kalp, of Elton, visited here on Tuesday.

Lee Welty is running a meat market in Canal Dover.

G. H. Cross received a fine Christ mass present last Saturday. It's a wov.

Rev. Downey is assisting Rev. Le-masters in a series of revival meetings at Justus.

The immense stock of D. Mentzer & Co.'s store was sold at fifty per cent. discount one day last week.

The American Express office has been removed to the C. & O. station. J. F. Mellon has the same in charge.

Editor Corl is temporary clerk in the American Express Company's office at Canton, filling that position during the illness of Clerk Rameil.

William Owens, who was crushed to death by a rock falling upon him from the roof of Justus mine, was buried in Union cemetery on Saturday.

A swindler is going the rounds gathering up money for the unfortunate people of Winesburg. He says over half the town was destroyed by fire, and he is making up a relief fund. Look out for him.

Converse Bros. have ceiled their rink walls with heavy building paper, and now the place is more comfortable. They did it to accommodate the M. E. drama players, who will render their fascinating play New Year's night, "The Drunkard" or "The Fallen Saved."

The Box for the Children's Home.

To the citizens of Massillon who so kindly contributed to the Christmas for the Children's Home we would say, that on Saturday last a box weighing three hundred pounds was sent to Alliance. The articles which made up the box were about as follows: 60 pounds of candy, of which Strobel Bros. generously gave 25 pounds; of the remainder, 20 pounds were bought and the rest contributed in packages of two, five and six pounds; one large box of raisins given by C. L. McLean & Co.; a box of oranges and 20 pounds of nuts bought from money contributed, as also were four dozen pairs suspenders, fifty pocket knives, a few books, and several yards of ribbon. Liberal gifts of ribbon rendered a large purchase in this line unnecessary. \$23.70 were paid for periodicals to be sent to the school during the coming year; 80 dolls were dressed by the deft fingers of the ladies; five of the dolls were presented—the remaining 75 were purchased. Collars and collarettes to the number of a dozen and a half, handkerchiefs, books and toys of various kinds went to make up the box. The amount contributed in cash was \$55. Outside of this a friend of the Home presented Christmas cards to the amount of \$4.50. To the merchants and grocers and citizens generally whose generosity made it possible to fill the box, sincere thanks are due.

PENCHANT PARAGRAPHS.

A CONDENSATION OF THE TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

Political Pointers and Personal Palavers.
Labor, Love and Trades's Trials—Hall Rumbblings—Foreign Fancies and Fires. Casualties and Crimes—News Notes.

Julius Vogel, a well-to-do farmer, living near Friendship, O., rode a blind horse, which stepped off a bridge into the mill-race. The animal fell upon him and killed him. Three men named Shapton were killed by a Swiss City, Ind., boiler explosion.

Eight persons were seriously hurt by a North Carolina railroad train breaking through a trestle near Raleigh.

John Wagner was thrown from his wagon and killed near Delphos, O.

Torrence Hickey, aged fourteen, and Moses Kyno, aged sixty, were killed by an express train on the Pennsylvania railroad at Jersey City.

John Stone was burned to death at Cairo, Ill.

Miss Ella Benton accidentally shot and killed herself at Olney, Ill.

The boiler of a portable sawmill exploded at Cleveland, O., killing an Italian and severely scalding James Kintz and two other workmen.

Personal.

Hon. Seth Brown is to retire from the Lebanon, O., Gazette, and R. S. Smith assumes management.

H. C. Rogers, deputy commissioner of internal revenue, has resigned. Ed Henderson, of Indiana, may succeed him.

Governor Alger, of Michigan, is to give the 157 newboys of Detroit a new suit of clothes each on Christmas.

The Ohio State Grange closed its session at Mount Vernon. J. H. Brigham, of Fulton county, was elected master.

United States Circuit Judge Grosman, at Chicago, appointed Judge C. Coley, of Michigan, receiver of the Washburn railway.

Francis Murphy began a series of temperance meetings at Wesley chapel, Cincinnati, Sunday evening.

Martin Neville, Charles Hickey, Nicholas Kelly, G. A. Von Der Ahe and Alvin Gerdos were ordered into the Roman Catholic priory at Cincinnati.

Alexander H. Irwin has been appointed postmaster at Cairo, Ill.

Leslie P. Farmer has been appointed general passenger agent of the New York, Lake Erie & Western railroad.

The Fire Record.

The P. C. Hanford Oil company's building at Chicago was damaged by fire to the extent of \$50,000.

The Anti-Oriental Contract Association has asked Powderly's cooperation in suppressing the prison contract system.

Norfolkman's hall, Montreal, was gutted by fire. Loss estimated at \$150,000.

A. B. Myers & Co.'s coal elevator at Indianapolis was burned. Loss, \$1,000.

The engine house adjoining the Catholic Proprietary in Westchester county, New York, burned. Loss, \$50,000.

Six business buildings at Pittsford, Mich., were destroyed by fire.

Twenty-eight buildings at Galveston, Tex., were burned Tuesday. Loss, \$120,000, insurance, \$75,000.

Vienna, an inland town of Arkansas, was set on fire by incendiaries. Losses are estimated at \$150,000.

Labor Notes.

Knights of Labor have succeeded in displacing Chinese laundry help at Newark, N. J.

An increase in steel workers' wages throughout the country will go into effect January 1.

The Knights of Labor of Allen county, Ohio, are at work organizing a company to put a newspaper in the field.

Discriminations against the Knights of Labor and long hours are brewing another street car strike in New York.

A meeting of workmen was held in Cincinnati Sunday to take preliminary steps toward the formation of a labor party.

The Indiana Knights of Labor have organized a state assembly.

The pattern weavers have joined the strike of the other weavers at the Waukegan mills at Full River, Mass.

A convention of delegates from the various Knights of Labor assemblies of Indiana, met at Indianapolis and organized a state assembly.

The Death Roll.

James D. D. Warren, of Buffalo, ex-chairman of the Republican State committee, is dead.

C. E. Town, editor of the Adams county, Ohio, New Era, died at his home at West Union.

Richard Woolley, Sr., head of the leather firm of R. Woolley & Sons, died at his home on East Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Sunday morning.

Henry C. Kinsley, treasurer at Yale university, died Sunday morning.

Ex-Governor Frederick W. Pitkin died at Pueblo, Col., Saturday night of consumption.

J. R. Mills, of Cincinnati, died at Los Angeles, Cal., where he had gone to visit his brother and regain his broken health.

Thomas J. Hilden, aged eighty-four, one of the founders of the Republican party, died at Calverton, Ohio.

Railroad Reading.

The three divisions of the Lake Erie & Western railroad have been sold to Samuel Thomas, of New York, said to be the agent of the stockholders.

The attorney general of Ohio says a railroad company has the right of way over a canal basin, providing it does not interfere with the business of the state.

There is outside talk of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad company purchasing the College Hill road, recently narrow gauge, and extending it to Liberty, Ind. Charles Winchester, of Ashburnham, Mass., has failed for half a million of dollars.

The Fort Worth & New Orleans railroad has been sold to C. P. Huntington for \$446,000.

Business Troubles.

J. B. Gilbert, a shoe dealer, has failed at Richmond, Ind. Liabilities estimated at \$60,000; assets not known.

Charles A. Heswick, dealer in furs, New York, has made an assignment. Liabilities \$75,000.

Monroe Bros. & Co., lumber dealers in Northern Ohio and Michigan, have failed.

Walter S. Duffy, of Rochester, has made a personal assignment to the Rochester Distilling company. Liabilities, \$250,000.

Monroe Bros. & Co., big Cleveland, O., lumber dealers, assign. Assets, \$21,000; liabilities large.

Simon Lasser, general merchant at Cold Water, Miss., has made an assignment.

Political Pointers.

The Iron Master's Journal favors this ticket for 1888: For president, George W. Childs; for vice president, Henry George. It is said that Ben Harrison and Judge Oresham are presidential candidates, and are making it lively for one another in Indiana.

NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

Fresh, Crispy Gleanings of Recent Noteworthy Happenings and Events.

The revenue collected by the government for the first month of the operation of the law taxing oleomargarine was \$4,000.

The jury in the case of Timothy Green, of Lebanon, for alleged manslaughter, returned a verdict of guilty of assault and battery.

At Golden Lake, Ark., Lee Wilson and Thomas Cotton quarreled over the settlement of a bill. Wilson shot and killed Cotton.

C. F. Schau, of Erie, Pa., killed one daughter and fatally wounded another. He was arrested after having tried to shoot the policeman.

The jury in the case of Fred Steig, on trial in Cincinnati, for murder in the first degree, returned a verdict of guilty of assault and battery.

At Champion Mich., three masked men robbed a miner named Grubell of \$2,700, and cut Mrs. Grubell seriously with a knife for attempting to call help.

C. W. Beasley, arrested at Chicago on complaint of Mrs. M. F. Matland for obtaining money under false pretenses, has sued for \$25,000 damages for false imprisonment.

Two freight trains collided at Woodlark, Ind., on the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago railroad, demolishing one engine and ten loaded cars. Engineer Daniel Healey was instantly killed.

John Powers was killed at Meadville, Pa., by a woman named Grace Fairchild.

Joseph S. Elter, a farmer of West Milton, O., is mysteriously missing from his home. Barbara Elizabeth Grand, aged sixteen years, died at St. Louis, Monday, of hydrophobia.

James Adams, aged fourteen, was probably fatally shot while playing with a pistol at Bunker Hill, Ind.

Boyle McQuinn McQuade was sentenced yesterday to seven years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of \$5,000.

S. E. Perkins still refuses to testify in the Indianapolis election fraud cases.

George Kod's gets fifteen years at Cleveland, O., for cutting his stepdaughter to pieces with a shoe knife.

Timothy Green, tried for murder and convicted of assault and battery at Lebanon, O., got ninety days in the work house and \$30 and costs.

In a beef-knocking contest between four Indianapolis men, William Thorn won in six to ten, fifty-two seconds, but cut the one at five.

Second degree, who murdered one Yates at Alton, O., three years ago, has surrendered. He traveled through twenty-eight states and territories eluding arrest.

Miss Emma Hamilton, of Winchester, O., committed suicide by taking poison.

McGinnick, the pugilist, was shot in the shoulder in a drunken fight at Omaha, Neb.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Quotations of the Money, Stock, Produce, and Cattle Markets for December 22.
New York—Money 3 1/2 per cent. Exchange steady. Government securities, 128 1/2; United States bonds, 124 1/2; 4 1/2 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 5 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 6 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 7 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 8 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 9 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 10 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 11 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 12 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 13 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 14 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 15 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 16 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 17 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 18 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 19 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 20 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 21 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 22 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 23 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 24 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 25 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 26 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 27 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 28 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 29 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 30 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 31 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 32 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 33 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 34 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 35 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 36 per cent. bonds, 124 1/2; 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